1 2 3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 5 AT TACOMA 6 JULIE SCHMIDT, 7 Plaintiff. Case No. C09-5150FDB 8 v. ORDER DENYING APPLICATION 9 CHILDREN'S PROTECTIVE SERVICES, FOR COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL 10 Defendant. 11 This court previously denied Plaintiff's application for court-appointed counsel by Order 12 entered March 31, 2009 [Dkt. #3]. She asserts in this application that an assistant attorney general 13 has made sure that she could not get her records in her case, and also that she has tried to get a 14 lawyer to represent her, but that she has not had enough money to pay the 4,000 - 5,000 down 15 payment that they require. The additional information has not convinced the Court that there are 16 exceptional circumstances requiring appointment of counsel, in view of likelihood of success on the 17 merits and Plaintiff's ability to articulate her case pro se. ACCORDINGLY, 18 IT IS ORDERED: Plaintiff's Application for Court-Appointed Counsel [Dkt. #5] is 19 DENIED. 20 DATED this 6th day of May, 2009. 21 22 FRANKLIN D. BURGESS 23 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 24 25

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